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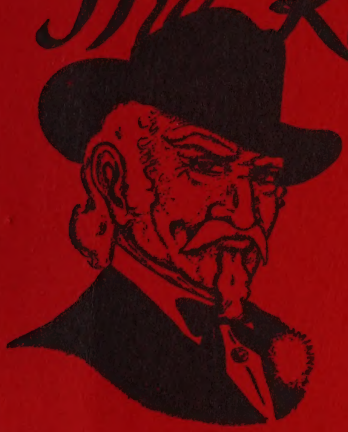

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Dear Alumnus:

We know all of you are anxious to hear about the outcome of the recent fund-raising project sponsored by the KSB Alumni Association. A combination box supper and Halloween party was held on October 30 at 6 p.m. in the Gregory Gymnasium on the school campus. Although not too well attended, the project was considered successful. As a result of the get-to-gether, our treasury gained a profit of about $130.00. In this connection, we wish to express our appreciation to those who participated in this activity. Some of you sent contributions through the mail, and this interest is most gratifying.

It is with regret that we report the death of Mr. Richard Fraim, one of our long-standing members of the Alumni Association. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to those surviving loved ones.

Take care of yourselves, and we will have another visit in the next issue of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL.

Betty J. Niceley,
Corresponding Secretary

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TWO GOOD FRIENDS PASS AWAY

The November 1962 issue of the COLONEL gave a brief account of our new guidance counselor, Dr. Paul Stansbury. The welcoming of a stranger just two years ago may have been brief, but the fine memories of a good friend will be very long, and we report his passing with regret.

Dr. Stansbury was employed as a part-time worker, but he worked all the hours of the day so far as we could see. He was brilliant of mind and understanding of heart. He had retired from his teaching at the University of Tennessee because he had reached retirement age; however, he also had experienced some difficulty with his heart. On Friday before school began this fall, he entered St. Anthony Hospital with another heart attack. He died about three weeks later.

Because Dr. Stansbury's outlook was so cheerful and his wit so pleasant, let us leave him with one of his own stories told on the occasion of his report to the faculty of his summer work in 1963. He went to Spring Meadow, the Baptist home for orphan children to try to learn

how children who see but living in a residential situation much like our children would differ. He gave the same tests he had given to our children during the winter. He reported: "The only differences I found was that at Spring Meadow the stair steps were worn down the center, and here they are worn down the side next to the banister."

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February 1, 1934, John Devers joined the domestic staff of this school. He was so friendly, courteous and helpful that soon he became a pleasant part of all our lives.

John had served in France during World War I, and he enjoyed exchanging "bon jour" with all the students of French. He liked children so much that once a new boy, who was homesick and bewildered, refused to go the oculist with Miss Catherine until John persuaded him.

John never married and he spent much of his time in his room with his own affairs. He declared that he did not like women with their chatter, but no one could be more attentive to the needs and comforts of the women working around him than John. If he saw a woman all the

way across the building or campus with a heavy load, he hurried to relieve her of it.

Not only was he friendly to people, but he was just as friendly to animals, especially dogs, and they returned his affection. Pat, the school dog of several years ago, was afraid of thunder, and when it was possible, he ran to John during a storm where he received protection and comfort.

John never complained of illness, but we noticed his failing health for more than a year. Last May he collapsed on the campus. At Veterans' Hospital he found no fault with his situation, and had a smile for all his visitors. He died July 12. He was a loyal worker in this school, and we miss him.

Dr. Paul Stansbury

John Devers

CHANGES IN THE FACULTY AND STAFF

When we returned to school this year, we found many changes in the faculty and staff caused by retirements, resignations and transfers.

No children of kindergarten age were enrolled this year, but the first grade was so large that it was divided. Mrs. Katherine Sanders Sullivan is the new teacher for the second section of the first grade. She is originally from Frankfort. She majored in physical education and took her degree from the University of Kentucky, although she spent her first year in college at Gulf Park College in Mississippi.

Mrs. Ruth Stattman resigned from the sixth grade and Mrs. Frances Samuels is now sixth grade teacher. She comes from Harlan, and received her degree from Eastern State Teachers' College. She majored in commerce and music.

Miss Schneider is ill. Substituting for her at present is Mrs. Connie White. Mrs. White is an elementary education major. Mrs. White attended Hopkinsville Junior College and received her degree from Murray State Teachers' College.

She not only teaches typing, but also has a class in journalism and a handcraft class.

Mr. Donald Schirmer is a new arts and crafts instructor. His home town is Butler, New Jersey. He majored in arts education at Texas Christian University. He is with us only half time.

Miss Ethelyn Wilson retired, and Mrs. Creta Gallagher moved from Patton Cottage to be Housemother at Merwin Hall. Mrs. Elizabeth Oaks who assisted last year is now Housemother at Patton. She is from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Margaret Fox retired, and Mrs. Eunice Kemper is now the substitute housemother. Mrs.Kemper is a long-time friend of the students; she had been in each cottage from time to time as a member of Miss Hartford's staff.

Mrs. Agnes Belke retired and Mrs. Dorothy Younger has transferred from Mrs. Seaton's staff to the sewing room.

We cordially welcome all of you and hope you find your work rewarding and your associates friendly and pleasant.

--Carla Dotson, 12th Grade

PERSONALITY TOO

A good school should be a place where students develop personality as well as obtain education in academics. Leadership, trustworthiness and the ability to earn respect are the personality traits of which I am speaking.

Although it is wise to have an adult counselor, it is not wise for that counselor to be too protective. How can a student develop leadership without an opportunity to practice it? Trustworthiness comes from the heart, and if a person has this quality there is no need for the counselor to watch him. These two traits are the qualities of personality that earn respect.

Older people do not seem to recognize that teenagers are responsible human beings, or they dorget the fact. We have feelings just as older folks do, and tests have proved that often the young have higher I.Q's. Age doesn't really matter; it is what each individual wants to be that counts.

The preceding generation tries to guide us in order that we may avoid their mistakes, but, although they mean well, sometimes harm is done. What they fail

to realize is that each teenager must mature by himself.

Adult reader, what did you do as a teenager?

Jo Ann Cox, 11th Grade

WHY ARE THE BEATLES SO POPULAR?

The other day a friend exclaimed: "Oh, Barbara, aren't the Beatles the greatest?"

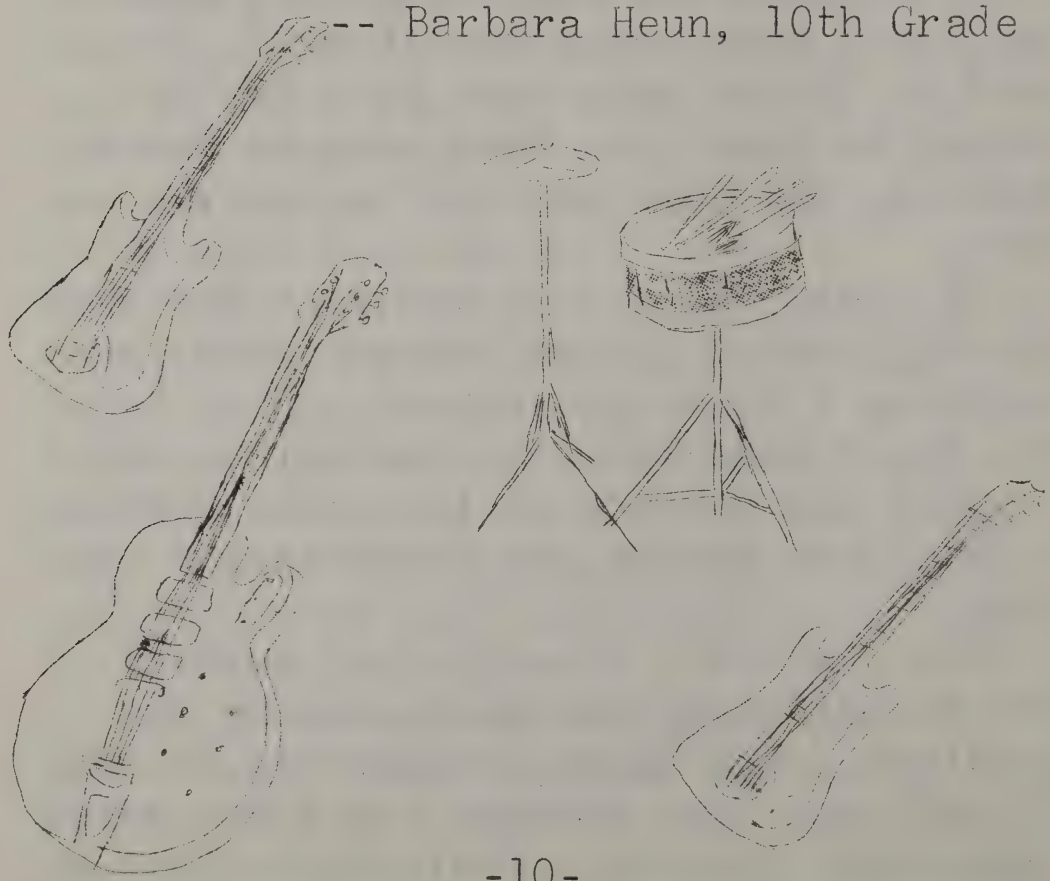
Ever since the Beatles gained popularity, I have asked myself why? You need to listen only once to a Beatle record to know that they have no voice quality, nor much ability to carry a tune.

If these four young men were handsome or exhibited a genteel manner when performing, I might understand. But, to me, their long hair is disgusting, and I don't see how any girl in full possession of her sanity can be attracted to them.

For a while I thought that maybe I was wrong; maybe the Beatles were the greatest. But their performance on the Ed Sullivan Show sounded ten times worse than their records. Could it be that a

few girls are dominating this fad, that everyone else is afraid of being a non-conformist, and that they are too weak to say, "I don't like the Beatles?" Maybe the Beatles are so different from everybody else that that makes them so well loved. I don't know. I would be ashamed to go to a performance of theirs and conduct myself like a teenage idiot. My opinion is that we should send these shaggy dogs back to England, even though they are not liked there.

-- Barbara Heun, 10th Grade



VACATION FUN

My Trip to Florida

Once this summer my family and I went by car to the west coast of Florida. We started early Monday morning and drove six hundred miles to Ozark, Alabama, where we spent the night in a beautiful Holiday Inn. The next morning early we reached Florida and saw our first palm tree. St. Petersburg was our destination and we reached it in the afternoon.

We stayed on Treasure Island Beach in a cottage on the Gulf of Mexico. Our cottage was at the water's edge and the sound of the surf put me to sleep at night.

We enjoyed the sunshine and the swimming in the sea for ten days and then it was time to return home. We took our time on our thousand-mile homeward journey and stopped in Alabama and Tennessee for a night's rest.

If you ever go to Florida, my best wish is that you enjoy it as much as I did.

--Eddie Myers, 8th gr.

CAMPING

July 3, I was very eager to get to camp in Mason, Ohio. There were twelve girls and thirteen boys and one counselor at each cottage. I liked swimming and I enjoyed making things in the crafts period each day. We went on two hay rides. We sat on a big square board that didn't have any sides at all.

The most exciting thing at camp was the shuffle-board tournament. In each round we had five chances. First I beat Mary Ellen by the score of ten to four. When I played the next game with Joyce Ann, she beat me by the score of ten to six. During the last round I didn't score at all.

--Madeline Schnitzler, 8th

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A Trip to Topeka, Kansas

My biggest thrill this summer was a trip to Topeka, Kansas with the Chordions to represent Kentucky at the all-American accordion festival.

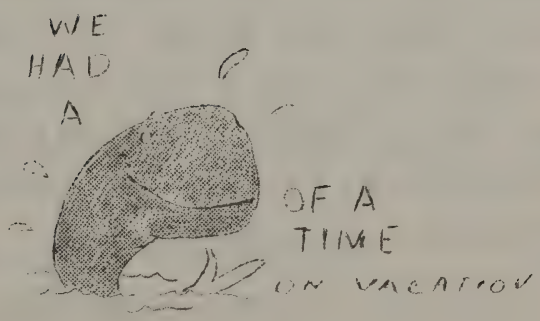
We gave an hour-long performance on Saturday night. The remainder of the time we spent in listening to the other groups in the contest. I talked to many

interesting people.

One night after I had gone to bed my phone rang. "You are going to have company," I was told. It was late and I was tired, but I dressed in time to answer the knock at the door. There were all twenty-eight of our group singing "Happy Birthday to You." They had brought a hugh chocolate cake and ice cream to celebrate my birthday which I had forgotten.

Every night we gathered in someone's room and had a party. One morning at four o'clock we were out delivering pizzas to our chaperones. I don't think the chaperones appreciated our generosity

--Linda Meadors, 11th grade



WITH CHARITY FOR ALL

The eleventh Crusade for Children was staged by WHAS radio and television Sept. 26, 27. This community effort to raise funds to assist the handicapped youth of Kentucky and southern Indiana is typical of the fine people who live here. We, who are the recipients, perhaps do not realize the work that goes into such a campaign.

A great deal of time is spent before the first appeal is made. Volunteers do almost all the work--soliciting from door to door, operating switchboards, tabulating the gifts and supplying the physical needs of the workers. The effort of the many to serve the few is a heart-warming thing to see. Surely we must live up to the expectations of those who work so hard for our benefit. We acknowledge our debt of gratitude to them and we pledge that the materials they provide will not be abused but used for continual progress.

--David Wilson, 12th gr.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council has been exceptionally active in student affairs. Our sponsor, Mrs.Nolen, and our principal, Mr. Davis, have given us so many good suggestions that the Student Council has a better start this year than ever before

Here are some of the activities in which we have engaged during this short period of the school year:

Increasing school spirit and participation. This is being done by selling patriotic pennants and sweat-shirts, by the formation of committees whose principal functions are to encourage students to attend parties and other school activities, to keep the campus clean.

A social committee. It plans the parties and other occasional activities.

The building and grounds committee. Its duty is to make and keep our campus in better condition, and to make our surroundings at all times clean and pleasant.

The publicity committee. It will put notices and announcements on the bulletin board for the benefit of both students and faculty.

The points committee. This committee

is organizing a points system through which a student committing some offense such as littering the campus may be penalized by being deprived of an invitation to a party.

Citizen-of-the-Week is a popular contest. It has encouraged many to work for this honor. The Citizenship Essay Contest, while enabling the winner to receive a prize, will require serious thinking by all who enter on the subject of what makes a good citizen.

Another way in which the Student Council is exercising some of its ability to change things for the better is the increased number of parties for the lower grades. "The lower grades almost never have parties other than those in the classroom" is not true any more. They now have nearly as many parties as the upper grades, and they like it.

The best way you can help us to help you is to bring your wants to the Student Council.

--Jack Gearheard,
Secretary

PLAY DAY

Midge Ball, Madeline Schnitzler, Faye Mills, Freda Bishop and Hazel Phillips, accompanied by Mrs. Keith and Miss Ries arrived at the Illinois Braille and Sight Saving School about 3:30 p.m., Friday, October 9. Allene Kiken, a senior, met us at the door, and later we were joined by Charlotte Vincent, a sophomore. After we had gone to our rooms and put away our things, the girls took us on a tour of the school. The Honor Cottage for the older girls interested me most. They have no housemother nor strict supervisor. They have the privilege of living in that cottage because they are honor students and trustworthy.

Because there was a triangular track meet at the school, there were almost enough boys to go around Friday night at the dance. The I.B.S.S. Beatles played for the dance, and they were as good as any high school group I have heard.

Saturday morning we went to Springfield where Abraham Lincoln was practicing law when he was elected President. We stopped first at his home--the only home he ever owned. When the house was

furnished for a museum, some of the pieces were original, some were restored, and some had to be make like the furniture of the time. I liked best the family pictures--even those of the dog.

We visited Lincoln's tomb where all his family is buried except his oldest son who lies in Arlington Cemetery.

The waitresses at New Salem Lodge where we ate lunch wore costumes depictir pioncer days. Refreshed by the delicious food, we went on to New Salem where Lincoln lived for seven years while he studied law. New Salem has been completely restored to Lincoln's time. In the tavern or inn, we ate gingergread which had been cooked over an open fire on the hearth. We had nothing to drink with it, but the gingerbread was good.

The climas of the day was a ride on the Talisman, an old-time paddlewheeler. The Talisman shows the method of travel on the Sagamon River in Lincoln's day. Immediately after we left the landing, we were stuck on a sandbar. It took about fifteen minutes to get off and start again. We went into the cabin and saw all the instruments for operating the boat.

--Faye Mills, 10th grade

PLAY DAY (con't)

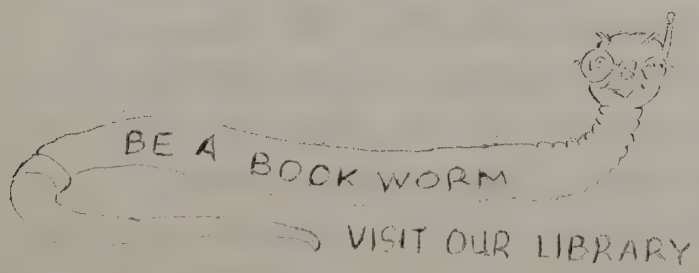
That night we gave our skits in the auditorium. Our skit showed a rather confused beauty parlor. Missouri's skit won. It was in rhyme about a teacher who was having trouble with her mathematics students. She asked, "What is three times six?" the boy replied "Twenty-one' At this the teacher hit the ceiling. "What do you mean?" His answer was something like this:

"Get hep to modern facts.
Six times three is twenty-one --
You forgot to add the tax."

Play Day ended with one big slumber party. The girls from all the schools stayed up practically all night and really got acquainted. At the party we received a lovely kit of cosmetics.

It was wonderful! We thank you all!

--Midge Ball, 10th grade



SPORTS--THE FIGHTING WILDCATS

Track

Due to a change in the NCASB Conference schedule, the Conference Track tournament was moved to the fall instead of being held in the spring as it has been. KSB was honored to have the first fall meet here this year.

On October 17, ten teams competed in the tournament. Beautiful weather and strenuous competition made the meet outstanding. The first four place winning teams were: Missouri 25 points, Illinois 19; Michigan 16; Kansas 7. It is interesting to note that after the first three teams, the next seven ranged in points from 2 to 7. This a good indication of the stiff competition. The individual winners were:

High Jump - Pruitt, Mich. 5 ft.1½in.
Three consecutive jumps - Crockett, Illinois, 29 ft. 9½ in.
Standing Broad Jump - Crockett, Illinois, 9 ft. 4½ in.
Hop, Skip and Jump - Crockett, Illinois, 26 ft. 3 in.
Shot-put - Duberry, J., Missouri 37 ft. 10¼ in.

Basketball Throw- Basch, Kansas
114 ft. 1½ in.
50-Yard Dash - Duberry, J-Missouri
5.8 seconds
75-Yard Dash - Duberry, J. Missouri
8.2 seconds

The Wildcats scored four points on the strength of James Earl Hardin who took second in the high jump and fourth in the three consecutive jumps. Even so, the Wildcats best efforts averaged higher in four events than the best efforts of the other teams: Broad Jump- total average 8 feet, Kentucky, 8 ft.1 in Three Consecutive jumps- total average 23 ft. 10 in., Kentucky, 24 ft. 5 in.; Hop, Skip and Jump- total average 22 ft. 2 in., Kentucky, 21 ft. 6 in.; High Jump total average 4 ft. 5 in., Kentucky, 4 ft 6 in.; Shot Put- total average 29 ft. 10 in., Kentucky, 30 ft. 9 in.; Basketball Throw - total average 90 ft. 3 in., Kentucky, 85 ft. 11 in.

Since no Wildcat came in first in the dashes, there is no way to give an average speed because only winners of heats were timed. The fact that the Wildcats averaged higher in as many events as they did shows a solid team effort even though

the points were scored by one person.

All the members of the team--James Hardin, Dave Wilson, James Anderson, Joe Triplett, Adam Ruschival and Grady Curlir wish to thank everyone for their fine support of the team.

Wrestling

The Wildcats are well on their way in practice for the 1964-65 wrestling seasor With a one-week lay-off after the track meet, the Wildcats are working hard in order not to lose the good condition they were in during track.

Here is the schedule that the Wildcats will be facing during the season:

(Note. Date is followed by school, by place of match, by time.)

Nov. 21 - Illinois Braille and Sight-Saving School and Indiana School for the Blind; Jacksonville, Illinois; leave here on November 20.

Dec. 3 - New Albany, here 3:30 p.m.

Dec. 5 - Florida School for the Blind and Seneca High School: here; 1:30 p.m.

Dec. 10 - Ahrens: there; 3:30 p.m.

Jan. 9 - Missouri School for Blind and Tennessee School for Blind: here; 9:00 a.m.

Jan. 14 - North Hardin County; there; 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 16 - Westport High; here; 1:30

Jan. 21 - M. M. I.; there; 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 23 - Ohio; here

Jan. 29-30 - NCASB Wrestling Tournament, Jacksonville, Illinois

Feb. 4 - St. Joe; here; 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 6 - Flaget; here; 1:30 p.m.

Feb. 11 - Aquinas Prep; there; 3:30

Feb. 12 - State Wrestling Tournament; Ahrens High School: Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m., Feb. 13, 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

This schedule means that the wildcats will have three triangular matches, eight dual matches and two big tournaments. We shall be wrestling some teams that we have never wrestled before--Florida School for the Blind, North Hardin County and Flaget.

There are about twenty boys out for wrestling, and everyone is fighting for a place on the team. With hard work on the part of the team and good spirit on the part of the students, the Wildcats should make a good showing this year.

A Star Wildcat

One of the Wildcats' outstanding atheletes is James Earl Hardin who scored

four points in the track meet for us this year.

James Earl began his school life here in kindergarten. He has now worked his way up to the tenth grade where his favorite subjects are health and science. He has participated in Athletics since the fourth grade. His records in both track and wrestling are outstanding. Earl is now sixteen. His home is West Liberty, Kentucky. We can all be proud of his achievements in sports as a Wildcat.

--Adam Ruschival, 12th gr.

PARTY CALENDAR

September 12--A get-acquainted party for the 7th-12th grades was held in the gym. We played Musical Chairs, Rhythm and Tug-of-War. We had refreshments and everyone went home feeling he and she had made some new friends. A similar party was held for the 5th and 6th grades on the 19th. The Student Council deserves much appreciation for planning these two parties.

September 18--The Hi-Fi Club of the

Coca-Cola Bottling Company gave their annual party. Some of us broadcast over WKLO. Mr. Allen Bryan, a disc jockey of WKLO was the master of ceremonies. There was dancing and a talent contest. "The Motions", composed of Tommy Williams, lead guitar; Glenn Stephens, rhythm guitar; David Wilson, bass guitar; and Eddie Myers, drums, won. They will compete with the winners of all the other Hi-Fi clubs for a scholarship to the college of their choice. Jerry Deaton won a hi-fi record player and Bobby Eberhardt, a radio. Victor Reynolds and Adam Ruschival won coke coolers. Every student received a carton of Coca-Cola. We enjoyed every minute of it including the dancing.

October 2--The Student Council sponsored a Truth or Consequences party. It was by far the best party that we have ever had. Adam Ruschival was master of ceremonies and he asked questions that were impossible to answer, or if an answer was possible, the contestant was not given enough time to reply. The "consequences" included such hilarious things as acting out the balcony scene of Romeo and Juliet, or giving a skit on

what a girl and boy should not do on their first date. The main event of the evening was a pie-eating contest won by Carla Dotson and Joe Triplett.

October 17--The Student Council gave a party for the participants of the Track Tournament--boys from nine other schools. The Motions furnished music for dancing and entertainment, assisted by Bob Brown from Iowa on the piano, "The Four Blind Mice", Mike and Steve Barber, Dave Walley and Bob Brown, a barbershop quartet added to the entertainment. Another attraction was the singing of two Missouri students. Several of our own students tried to sing, but microphone difficulties kept them from being heard.

October 31--The Student Council gave a Halloween party. There was a scavenger hunt, a tour through a haunted house, an orange relay, and a contest of biting an apple off a string with hands tied behind. Witch of the evening and helper with refreshments was Loma Huddleston. Winners of the best costumes were Jo Ann Cox and Hubert Davis.

October 30--The P.T.A. gave a Halloween Party for the 1st-4th grades, and the Student Council gave one for the 5th and 6th grades.

Again this year, we have a Pep Club. The officers are: Mac Campbell, Pres., Norbert Keissler, vice-President; Cathy Brothers, treasurer; Adam Ruschival, secretary; Earl Hardin and Hubert Davis, sergeants-at-arms. There are approximately 35 members. We held our first meeting October 14, and discussed the purposes of the club. At a meeting in Assembly, November 6, we voted to hold a meeting each Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. At present the club has no project except working to promote school spirit.

--Barbara Heun, 10th gr.

YOUTH SPEAKS

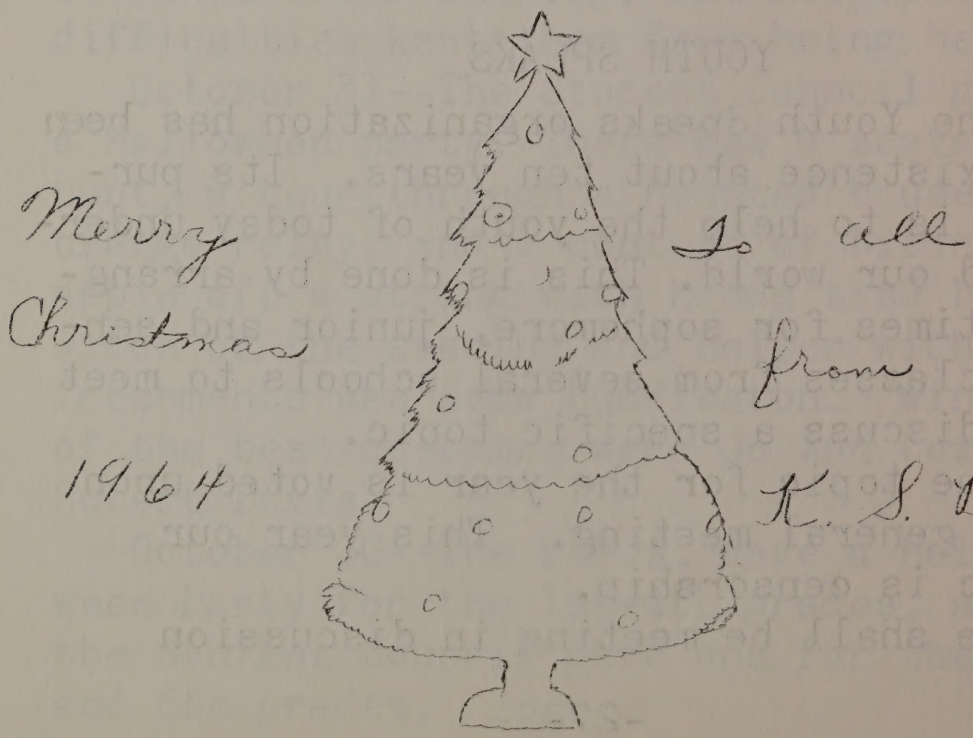
The Youth Speaks organization has been in existence about ten years. Its purpose is to help the youth of today understand our world. This is done by arranging times for sophomore, junior and senior classes from several schools to meet and discuss a specific topic.

The topic for the year is voted upon at a general meeting. This year our topic is censorship.

We shall be meeting in discussion

groups at least three times during the year. The general topic, censorship, will be broken down into, 1. censorship in government; 2. censorship in literature; 3. censorship in movies.

Each participating school must have a junior and senior representative attend all general meetings. Our junior representative is Jo Ann Cox, and our senior, Adam Ruschival.

There are approximately thirty other schools in Louisville active in this group, and we are glad to be added to Youth Speaks.

--Jo Ann Cox, 11th grade